

Nicole Cleary - Illustration & Painting

Brooklyn, NY

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Illustrator and painter based in Brooklyn, NY. Her style employs exaggerated colors and thin, illustrative lines to achieve crisp detail.

Exhibits & Awards

Butterflies in Flight - Art Installation

Exhibited at Figment's participatory art Event at Governors island in NYC.

Project Description:

The first element of Butterflies in Flight is a colored pencil on transparent vellum fully functional 3ft kite in the form of a distinctly ovoid butterfly. Visitors were welcome to contribute to the project by uniquely coloring/painting/drawing upon their own smaller butterfly which was added to the project, in flight. Weather Permitting, I Originally envisioned an entire flight of uniquely created butterflies gracefully floating above a sun drenched field. Due to the rain and lack of wind, I created a butterfly habitat inside a mesh and canvas gazebo.

Online Gallery Showcases

- Society6 (2012 & 2013) total features - 17
- Deviant Art (2009) total features - 5
- Creattica (2009) total features - 3
- CG Society (2009) total features - 1

Gallery Showcases

- Midge Karr Art Center, Old Westbury, NY (2005)
- Gallery 61, New York, NY (2007)

Tri County Exhibit in Fine Arts

- Winner of Certificate of Merit, PA (2004)
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Scholastic Art Awards

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- Winner of Certificate of Merit (2004)
- Winner of Certificate of Merit (2002)

- Drawing and line-work
- Sketching and conceptualizing storyboards and large scale scenes
- Digitally painting imagery and graphics
- Traditional painting and drawing with oil paint, acrylic paint, colored pencil, pen and ink, and charcoal
- Retouching, such as altering lighting, color, texture, and perspective
- Silhouetting of models, clothing, jewelry, and product packaging, as well as wildlife, including trees, plants, and animals

Experience

Illustrator

Freelance

Illustration and design of nature, landscapes, portraits, characters, and products. Created TV commercial storyboards, sketched movement for motion graphics featured in web videos. Concept sketched 360 advertising campaign ideas. Illustrated graphics for website designs for celebrity brands.

Illustrated for the following fields - beauty, fashion, technology, and pharma.

New York, NY
May 2011 - Present

Designer/Jr. Art Director

New York, NY
Jul 2010 - May 2011

Monet Jewelry

Illustrated jewelry concepts for Peanuts, M&M's, Looney Tunes, and Hello Kitty, which I then incorporated into new business pitch deck designs. Sketched design concepts for new boutique pages on Monet website.

Illustrator & Designer

Governors Island, NY
Mar 2010 - Jun 2010

Figment Art Event

Illustrated images for microsites, event posters, signage, invitations, and email blasts. Created Figment's visual style for the event and maintained consistency across all media.

Mural Artist

New York, NY

Food & Wine Magazine, "Best Chefs of 2006"

Designed and painted a fish market mural, 30ft x 10ft

Mural Artist

Poconos, PA

Fleet Bank

Designed and painted Wizard of Oz mural for "Movie Week" event, 10ft x 5ft

Mural Artist

Dunmore, PA

First Financial Group

Designed and painted mural, 7ft x 5ft

Education

Bachelor's of Fine Arts

New York Institute of Technology

New York, NY

Jun 2004 - Jun 2008

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